

The Daily Courant.

Thursday, December 9 1703.

London, December 8.

IN the Courant of Tuesday last was incerted a Paper, drawn up in a Council of War held the day before the taking of Huy, Sign'd by the Duke of Marlborough, the English Generals, &c. The following Paper was Sign'd, on the same Occasion, by the Dutch Generals, &c.

The Deputies of their High Mightinesses having demanded the Opinion of the Generals whose Names are subscrib'd, on the Question, What Enterprize might be most feasible and glorious to the Arms of the Allies after the Reduction of Huy? They represent,

THAT in the Council of War held yesterday the 24th. two things were debated, namely, whether to Attack the Lines, or besiege Limburg: Without doubt the first would be the more glorious Attempt; but before it be determin'd, they judge it necessary to examine all the Difficulties of executing it, and afterwards the Advantage that may accrue from succeeding in it.

That part of the Line that seems easiest to be attack'd, reaches from Walsege or the Mehaigne as far as Janche, which is an Extent of 2 Leagues and a half; it lyes cross a Plain, but it takes in a rising Ground at Meerdorp. And it is to be enquir'd, Whether the Enemies are really inferior in number to us, and whether their Lines are not stronger and better repair'd, than is reported.

Supposing the Lines forc'd, it is next to be consider'd, What Advantage will come of it, and whether we shall then be able to penetrate into the Country, and to march to Tirlemont and Louvain. What gives ground to apprehend we shall not, is, that the Enemies, a little within the Lines, (of which a Plan lyes before us) have Posts to retire to that are more defensible than their Lines, for instance, that of Rumilly, where their Right being extended to the Mehaigne near Taviens, and their Left towards Rumilly and Atreglife, they will have a narrow Aperture of but 1200 Paces to defend.

Should the Enemy abandon their Lines and take Post in that Camp, it will not be in our power to march towards Tirlemont, till we have forc'd them to decamp, because we shall be oblig'd to pass near the Head of the River Gette between the Enemy's Army and Janche, which will be impossible to be done without risking our Rearguard.

If, after the Lines shall either be forc'd by us, or abandon'd by the Enemy, it should be thought advisable for our Army to pass the Gette lower, about Heilersheim, the Enemy would move down along that River to observe us, and by extending their Left to Heilersheim, would have a stronger part of the Line before them than that between the Mehaigne and Janche, and by that means hinder us from advancing to Tirlemont or Louvain.

If the Enemy post themselves as we have said about Heilersheim, the Ground between Rumilly and the Mehaigne would lye open to us, and we might pass above the Head of the Gette, and so cut them off from all Communication with Namur; but

it is not possible for us when we are got with the Army within the Lines in the part nearest to Hanuy, to march with expedition sufficient to prevent the Enemy from seizing the Post of Judoigne, where they will have no more than about 600 Paces of Ground to defend.

If we had in our Places on the Maese all things necessary for the Siege of Namur, 'tis not credible they would suffer us to cut off their Communication with that Town: But the Body commanded by Monsieur de Pracontal, and our Disposition upon the Maese, put the Enemies out of fear of a Siege; and the Works which Monsieur Coehorn formerly added, sufficiently secure them against the Effects of Bombs.

We cannot positively affirm that the Enemies will do as we have said, but they may do so, or repair and strengthen their Lines before we can be in a Condition to attack them.

Prudence also requires us to make the most serious Reflections in an Affair of so great Importance, and to dispose things in such a manner, if we determine to march towards the Lines, that what Course soever the Enemies take, we may be in a Condition of pursuing our Designs. And as the Good of the Common Cause mainly depends on the Resolution we shall take in this Occasion, it becomes us to examine with the greatest Deliberation, whether we ought rather to attack the Lines or besiege Limburg, which is not a Place of so little Consequence as Men imagine, for when we are Masters of that Place, which ought to be attack'd in a favourable Season, and not in the decline of the Year, by reason the Ways will then be impracticable, we not only acquire a whole Province, but cover our own Country, and the Countries of Juliers and Gelder; we cut off from them all Communication with our Country, and extend and secure our own Quarters, which will make it easie to clear the whole Country between the Maese and the Rhine.

Whatever Resolution shall be taken, We whose Names are underwritten will not fail to contribute all we can to facilitate the Execution of it.

Done in the Camp at Vignamont, Aug. 25. 1703.

D. Dopff
Dompre
Oxenstiern
De Rantzau

Auverquerque
Count de Noyelles
Albemarle
W. V. Heuckelom
De St. Pol
D'Anhalt.

Falmouth, December 4. The Mansbridge Pacquet-Boat, which was blown upon a Rock and damag'd, is got off and is repairing.

Cowes, December 6. On the first instant a Virginia Ship was lost near Hurst Castle with 300 Hogheads of Tobacco in her; I cannot learn the Name neither of the Ship, nor of the Master, who dyed at Sea, 4 of the Men were drown'd. A French Ship bound home from Martineco was lately taken and sent in here by a Dutch Privateer, in the French Ship was one Lowthorp a Surgeon, who says he was taken on the 11th of July last in the William and Mary Nicholas King Commander, by a Privateer of Martineco call'd the Samaritan, after a Fight in which

Captain

Caprain King and three of his Men were kill'd and several wounded, and of the Privateer's Crew eight Men were kill'd and ten wounded. This Surgeon adds, that before he came from Martineco there arriv'd there five or six French Men of War and 15 Merchant Ships: And that there are 18 or 20 Privateers belonging to that Island, who frequently send in Prizes. Yesterday came in Her Majesty's Ship the *Defiance*, last from Plymouth, with two Virginia Ships bound for London under her Convoy.

Tarmouth, December 6. Here are in our Roads Her Majesty's Ships the *Warwick*, *Falkland*, *Lynn*, *Winchelsea*, *Dartmouth*, and *Deale Castle*. 6 Russia Merchant Ships, whose Captains Names are, *Painter*, *Starkey*, *Clifton*, *Goston*, *Purvis*, and *Maynard*. Also the *Joseph*, the *Lewis* and *Ann Brigantine*, and a Dutch Ship of 34 Guns, bound for *Leghorne*; all 3 suffer'd some Damage in the late Storm, and wait only for a Wind.

Harwich, December 7. Here are arriv'd Her Majesty's Ships the *Margate*, *Nightingale*, *Rocheſter's Prize*, and *Woolf*. On Sunday the Dispatch Packet-Boat sail'd with a Mail for *Holland*; The laden Fleet of Colliers mention'd in my former is still here. Sir Cloudſly Shovel is sail'd from the Gunfleet for the River.

Deale, December 7. Her Majesty's Ship the *Litchfield* and the *Antelope Hospital Ship* are both sail'd for the River. The rest of the Queen's Ships and outward bound continue here.

AT the Theatre Royal in *Drury-Lane*, this present *Thursſday* being the 9th of *December*, will be presented a Play call'd, *Love's last Shift*, or, *The Fool in Fashion*. With several Entertainments of Singing and Dancing. And tomorrow, at the Desire of several Persons of Quality, will be presented a Play call'd, *The Unhappy Favourite*, or, *The Earl of Essex*. With several Dances by the famous *Monſieur Du Ruel*.

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The same day will be publish'd,

ΣΥΛΛΑΒΟΣ ΕΝΤΕΡΟΛΟΓΙΑΣ, seu index omnium Humani corporis partium internarum externarumque quæ secavi solent in ista parte Anatomie in sex prælectionibus distinctus. Impensis G. Sawbridge.

This day is publish'd,

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as by accusing Persons; and concerning retrospective Inquiries. 8. That Factions in a Kingdom, are not such Diseases as admit of no Cure. Remedies propos'd. 9. Of pursuing National Interest. 10. Of Arbitrary Power. 11. Of Religion, and Liberty of Conscience. 12. Of Frugality in managing the Publick Treasure. 13. Of the Executive Power. 14. Of Ministers of State. Dedicated to Her Majesty. By *Charles Davenant*, L.L.D. Printed for *James Knapton* at the Crown in *St. Paul's Church-yard*. 8vo. Price 5 s. Where may be had all the said Author's Works, in 8vo.

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